

Last Glories of Winter Gowning Exhibited by Fair Parisiennes

The rage of this winter for the conférence reached the height of success in one recently originated by one of the great dressmaktween the two speakers a pretty programme this was the exhibition on pretty mani-

two clever speakers. The skirt was oddly draped with green mousseline de soie, long, slender folds of it fastened in the middle under a flat rosette. The green corsage shaped short sleeves over long, tight satin ones, and wide revers of front, with ends tucked inside a round belt.

bloom of Parisian elegance—exemplified the last word of late winter gowning. Furs were discarded for feather boas and muffs, all fluffy with frills, shirred tulle and dripping ribbon ends. Tailored dresses, having the appearance of being made all in one piece. were built of black silk and finished at the hem with wide or narrow pleated or gathered frills, which flared at the back and remained flat in front as heretofore. The frills were quaintly headed with bands of fine silk tucking, forming little silk puffs. Little coats that rounded sharply from a high bust closing were trimmed to match. and the small, three-quarter long sleeves were widened with large cuffs. Without this little coat such a dress is quite complete, with its simple corsage, trimmed with wide, flat collar of finely embroidered white mull and sleeve frills or cuffs of the same material. The economy of the coat is, however, evident when it is considered that it can later be worn with handsome white gowns as well as with little frocks of the pretty flowered, transparent stuffs so lovely for summer wear, thus adding immensely to the variety of simple ward-

It is worth remembering that up to this moment it is silk coats and coats made of other dressy materials, like slik cashmeres and fine white materials, that show the cutaway finish. Tailor costumes of the swagger, coarsely woven woollen stuffs are oftener cut with straight fronts, closing diagonally or double breasted. All are rather long at the back, the lengthening being achieved in different ways. Some-times the middle of the back only is cut longer, reaching in a stitched fold from the shoulders; again the garment drops gradu-

At the first openings now in progress many eccentricities have been showneccentricities clearly hinted at in a recent new production on the stage of a fashionable theatre. But as soon as the openings are over these things will have disappeared as completely as though they had never been. At the theatrical performance question the gowns worn by the actresses were so ungraceful in effect, so abourd in design and so utterly lacking in

society for many days. Nothing else was and with the fewest possible bones-three talked of in drawing rooms, in cafés and in the streets.

The paniers so much talked of scarcely ing houses and conducted by the talented deserve the name. The paniers of a couple But the discussion for and against mattered suggesting overskirts more than paniers. In the main point was the gathering together of an audience composed entirely draping is through the use of a long ing little machines that are whisking about all the time before we had the machine. breadth of material, gathered lightly at the town with fair maids enthroned within not and it's worth the little inconvenience now or women prominent in two great words—

breadth of material, gathered lightly at the town with fair maios enthroned without the mondaines and women of the stage. Be
belt on each side of the front; nearly twice only are not owned by their occupants, but and then to have it for evening affairs and by, "start things going," for with a party, to window, or from the window to the as long as the skirt itself, this breadth is are not even rented by them alone. Two the bridge clubs to which we both go every of song, music and comedy was enacted and turned over and carried up again and or three girls whose allowances permit of week." greatly enjoyed. More enjoyable even than fastened to the belt a little further back, their hiring an automobile once in a while Lined with mousseline de sole of a different by the hour discover that by combining color from the material, the effect is rather funds they can make up the cost of keep-Mile. Marnac herself wore a fascinating size, which would indeed cause a revolt. who make such an arrangement are naturdropped from the waist line to the hem and the strange shapes that appear at regular enough for one to call the car a few minintervals in the attempt at originality, but tutes earlier and stop on the way to pick she does not desire them for herself

white embroidered mull crossed low in period of gowning that promises to prevail the troubles begin. Good friends usually during the next six months, but the lace- are equal to the emergency. Constance the Chinese religion is better for the China-

nderness of the sil- is carefully gra

Some Ways of the World

charming Mile. Marnac, the first indorsing draperies, with some real pretentions to the taste of the past in dress and the sec-

up her partners. When their engagements Lace and colored ribbons belong to the are not identical, then, of course, is when The women in the audience—the highest flounced skirts, that are now generally ac- agrees to let Imogene have the machine man than Christianity.



PICTURESQUE HAT DRAPED WITH CHAMELEON TAFFETA AND TRIMMED WITH A FEATHER MOUNT.

their gathered fulness the silhouette re- back-a steel one at each aide, and another one at each side of the front that conhouette is accounted for, in a measure, by the corset itself descends, on the sides, the absence of under clothes. Women have nearly to the knees, and as low in the back They Have Discarded Furs and Donned Tailored

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The under gowning of the present consist of, first, a combination of chemise and the divided skirt occupied the press and the minds of the people of every grade of society for many days. Nothing else was and with the fowest possible bones—three least possible amount of under clothes. Women have now become accustomed to wearing the loast possible amount of under clothes, will permit. This corset is cut extremely low, and front as a decent amount of under clothes, will permit. This corset is cut extremely low, and front as a decent amount of under clothes, will permit. This corset is cut extremely low, and front as a decent amount of under clothes, women have now become accustomed to wearing the loast possible amount of under clothes, women have now become accustomed to wearing the loast possible amount of under clothes, women have now become accustomed to wearing the loast possible amount of under clothes.

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are merely soft hanging side draperles, as in buying grapefruit or real estate. This sophically remarks:

The young man who had not noticed it was Lent discovered the prettiest girl of trate the instructive and witty talk of the graceful and the fulness is so cleverly ing one by the month, which means that it his acquaintance in front of the Public handled there it seems not to increase the is at their service all the time. As the girls Library with a huge volume on her arm. "What is it?" he asked in a humorous gown of white satin and Empire green. The real French mondaine loves the charm ally intimate friends, they often have the tone, as he took the tome from her, but his of color, the grace of simple lines. She is same engagements and are going to the laughter turned to real amazement when he interested in the violent color contrasts and same place at the same time, so it is easy read the title, "The Philosophy of Confu-What on earth "-- he gasped.

"Oh," she answered, flushing a little, "that's for our Lenten debate. I'm to uphold the affirmative side of 'Resolved, That

We meet once a week during Lent at some girl's house to have the debate, and then a nice little luncheon. Really, you know, it's very interesting, and we don't mind the work a bit. I'd much rather do Chinese religion than 'Esoteric Buddhism,' which is what Sallie is wrestling with for next month. You see, it's much easier to get Chinese material. You can ask the laundry man. Honest, do you know, I saw a very good-looking Chinaman in the 'bus the other day, and I almost asked him if they had the Ten Commandments in Chiare trying to say is to ask some returned missionary or the secretary of a foreign missions board-they know everything, and they're more interesting than the books because they can tell nice little stories about

know what skill goes to the adjusting of a behat at the proper angle, or how much time locks in wavy and careless profusion being out her shyer tresses with the latter, new born want.

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The harp that once through Tara's balls The soul of music shed.

Among the first pleasures offered let there be a "clover" or "shamrock" hunt, which will, quite effectually and informalitem of the evening's entertainment very little preparation is required other than the on your bed, wrap your head in a shawi, muscles. cutting out, from sheets of green tissue place hot water bottles at your feet-nay, Years ago, when bicycles first became a paper, folded many times in order to duplicate the pattern, enough three-leaved and four-leaved clovers to admit of each guest finding several of each variety to the pleasurable excitement of any con- warm, used-up air "blown out of the room."

end of the room and a basket at the other, all the time that can possibly be spared to from which each contestant in turn is to them. start, teaspoon in hand, upon a time limit, carrying from the pile back to the basket mediately effective as a "course in air." as many potatoes as each can safely bal- Even a brisk walk sends you in with nese religion, but I was afraid he'd think ance and deposit in the allotted number of cheeks glowing, eyes brightened, spirits minutes. A tiny airship, train of cars lighter. Those who do not like walking graven by sorrow and anger. lie on our block, who knows me. Another or anything suggesting rapid transit will are probably those who need it most. Exerway we have of finding out what the books appropriately reward the most skilful and cise for them should be in homocopathic swift-footed.

picks and a small tin tray, and set a time at least have abundant air indoors. limit in which each shall carve his or Offices and factories are too often all but chronic grievance against women's hats, by a committee of three, who, each in few think of extending sympathy to the turn, will award the prizes to the competwearers of these creations. Yet their trials ing sculptors of "Wild Animals I Have air upon the individual. are many. None can realize who does not Known"-or not known, as the case may

About this time should come the scrying takes to put on a veil over a of refreshments, green tinted as far as may function or time of wearing and eminently smart chapeau, keeping it unwrinkled and be, with plates and napkins bearing decorayet not drawing it too tight; using legions tions of green. Pistachio ice cream, cakes of pins, yet allowing none of them to with green icing, green bonbons, etc., where support is required and there should show. The close, picturesque shapes of the must not be forgotten, while even the moment look comfortable and sensible. Yet drinking water may be beautifully and the confure has to be literally pulled to harmlessly colored with green mint jujubes are now being indersed by Dame Fashionpieces a secure the appearance of loose disselved an hour previous to serving in and long may she be of this mind! One may

straggle just enough and not look as if the small round table be placed near the The main weight of the garments—when owner had jumped into a bramble bush centre of the room bearing upon it a that weight has been reduced to a minioften calls for much diplomacy with the stone—the famous "Blarney Stone"—flat mum—should be borne by the shoulders. with the former implement, another is pullpassage of fingers between hair and brim, aged as follows: Underneath the stone and There are exercises, which, persevered in, tailored suit, is most artistic when the and nothing has been invented to meet this radiating from it place face downward as many long, narrow slips of paper as there at all. If the abdominal muscles were de-

table, and, haphazard, raw out from underneath the stone a slip

The Beauty Budget

Concluding the papers of the last two veloped as they weeks, air, clothing and thought remain to a flat surface, instead of a rounded probe spoken of-then the "spring cleaning"

has been pretty fully described. The air cure has been more or less constantly preached in these pages, and happily

be they rich or poor, are free from duties- in the well being of girls might start footsocial or commercial-which must be performed under a roof and within confining century Atalantas. walls. Therefore, it behooves all women to Shoes seem the last to be reformed, but see to it that fresh air can be admitted to we may hope for sandals in the summerthose rooms in which so many hours of time before long, and a foot that has the day and night are to be spent. As to the night, we all know that a

test-among grown people as well as chil- She can don a jacket, wrap or sweater while the blowing is being accomplished.

Of course, every mortal woman ought to

No form of beauty culture is so imdoses. The taste will grow. But, that to wrinkles and a longer youth. The Budger

ous or droll, as each may choose. The two should be aired frequently and thoroughly.

Clothing, to conduce to happiness-and happiness is beautifying-should be at once becoming to the wearer, suitable to the comfortable. There should be no restriction anywhere, there should be snugness

Fortunately, all the above requirements dress becomingly, suitably and lightly and After the serving of refreshments let a not attract attention or seem a "frump,"

tuberance. Vide the statues of the Greek masters! It is, so some histories assure you, a mistake to suppose that the Greeks never wore any restricting garments. Some the time is coming when one need not add antiquarian volumes speak of confining so many garments to be able to face the bands to reduce the bust measure, and of outer world. These last weeks of winter other bands worn around the abdomen in have been sufficiently trying, but they must running exercises. But these were not, we surely be a-going. Then, hey for the light are told, assumed at all times, and the wrap, the quickly adjusted headgear and exercise was so frequent and so abundant that busts and abdomen were kept in place Few women have full opertunities for testing what air can do for them. Few, races again and produce some twentieth

known the freedom of the sandal in the summer will not endure the torture of a steady current of air, passing from window tight, narrow, high heeled shoe in winter. We come to the last item nameddoor of another room whose window is thought! This might seem well out of the that "well begun is half done." For this open, should be the unswerving rule, what- Budget's scope and province, did not cerever the temperature. Heap soft blankets tain emotions powerfully effect certain

even adopt a sieeping bag-but, if you fad, it was observed that a hard, strained, would be happy and well, leave windows anxious expression grew on many a young open by night. Many do this, however, face, the result of looking ahead for things who are less particular by day. This, it not to run over. In the faces of those who from among those scattered here and there, is true, is less important, because, as a meet the world in battle there is perin inconspicuous places upon the floor, rule, one moves from room to room, and ceptible a hard, strained look-the look of under the edges of rugs, beneath chairs one probably goes out, so that the same one on the alert for trouble, aware that and tables, fastened between curtain folds air is not breathed and rebreathed, as it danger may be at hand. These emotionsor slipped between books and magazines. A would be in a closed room at night. Still, care, anxiety, fear-tensen up the muscles prize should be awarded to the finder of however, the air should be changed fre- of the face and make it hard and severe, the largest number in all and a second quently. If playing, working or reading. One woman, a teacher, catching sight of small gift should reward the happy finder for some time at a stretch, the occupant of her own face in a mirror as she left the of the most lucky four-leaved variety, the room should rise twice an hour at least, schoolroom was horrified at the stern Prizes, however insignificant, add greatly open the windows and doors and have the frown, the set lips, the general "tautness" of her face.

The only remedy, if there is no escape from these conditions, is to cultivate cou is to have an "Irish potato race." A dozen or two potatoes are placed in a pile at one or two potatoes are pla sweet lines. It is a good plan to read a page of jokes, and let onesself laugh aloud, once every evening. True, laughter brings fine lines round the eyes, but these are far less unbeautiful than the deeper lines To face life brightly as may be, to learn

to laugh at minor troubles, to cultivate a sense of humor, all these mean fewer each guest with a knife, half a dozen tooth- do more harm than the exercise does good, knows well one gallant woman upon whom who yet is beautiful at an age when many her potato into some original design, serior three most successful may be selected However, such buildings lie beyond the who is fighting the battle of life, while her scope of the budget's influence, and this contemporaries are knitting by a fireside.

EFFECTIVE DRAPERIES.

There is much drapery in the new milnery, over crown, over brim or over the entire top of the hat. Cotton crepe is one material used for the purpose, and because of its want of lustre it produces peculiaris attractive color effects. It is often delightful in tone when one color veils anothe contrasting one.

BORROWING FROM THE BIRDS. A Parisian invention for the woman who craves sensational apparel is the feather vest, or gilet-olseaux. This adornment is moulded closely to the figure, and, though shoe horn or button hook. While one enough to bear upon its top a number of enough to bear upon its top a number of woman is pushing back refractory fluff candy or meringue "kisses," to be taken special occasion of happy foolishness and and less restrictive and more and more genius of the modern dyer. The effect of for the hats fit too snugly to admit of the of impersonal flattery, which may be man-